

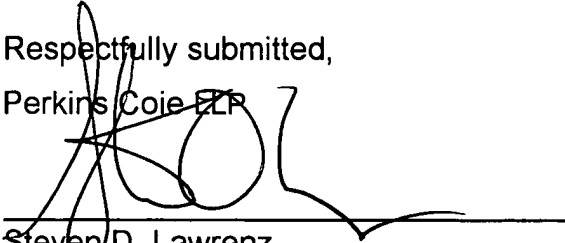
**REMARKS**

By this preliminary amendment, applicants cancel claims 1-105 and present new claims 106-130. As a result, claims 106-130 are now pending.

Applicants respectfully request consideration of the application in view of this preliminary amendment. If the Examiner has any questions or matters that can be expediently handled by telephone, he or she is encouraged to contact the undersigned at (206) 359-6373.

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